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1. A bridge is being constructed across the Luttojoki River, about one kilometer from the Finnish frontier. It is about half-finished. A caisson of wood and stone stands in the center of the river. There is no bridge open to traffic at this point. Lumbering is being carried on in the forest just behind the river, and timber is being taken down to the river.
2. The road running from Murmansk and along the Luttojoki River toward the Finnish border has not been maintained and appears to be more or less unused. Source learned [REDACTED] that the road runs to Ivalo in Finland.
3. Approximately 15 - 50 meters south of the western shore of Lake Paaskeljoogash, there is a four-wire telephone line (68-21N, 28-45E) running in a northeast-southwest direction. The line was constructed in 1952. The wires are five millimeters in diameter and made of iron. The insulators are made of white porcelain, the wires are strung parallel, and the wooden poles impregnated with tar at top and bottom.
4. A few kilometers southeast of Yumys Lake and west of the old Soviet-Finnish border is a road (68-23N, 30-03E) which is open only to horse-drawn wagons in summer but probably could be used by automobiles in winter. The width of the road is about 11 feet and, judging from the straight road edges, it must have been leveled with a bulldozer. Northwest of the road is a two-wire telephone line running in a north-south direction.
5. A few houses have been built at Liinhamari (69-38N, 31-20E), but otherwise there is little activity. There were a few small vessels with naval crews in the harbor.

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